

I am writing concerning your proposal to expand LPFM stations to take priority over current FM translator service. I believe this would be a mistake. I currently listen to Air 1 as my primary station for entertainment and information. Air 1 provides positive music and news that are not available otherwise. This national transmission is listener-supported and is able to transmit effectively and efficiently by the use of FM translators. The use of FM translators keeps the cost low for transmission and provides many different areas of the country with the same quality programming. If displaced by an LPFM broadcaster providing other programming, our local community would be effected by not having the wonderful programming Air 1 provides. Since they are a national transmission, we get the most up-to-date music and news as well as the highest quality of listener support in the area of phone-in counselors and nationally-acclaimed commentary on life issues affecting many people. The loss of this type of positive, wholesome, informative, and entertaining programming would be a great loss to our community. Please know that allowing LPFM stations to take priority over current FM translator services would have a detrimental effect on my community and many around the country. Thank you for listening to my comments.